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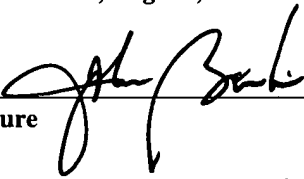
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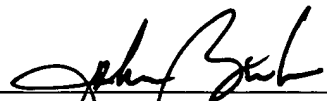
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2. Japanese laid-Open Patent Publication No. 07-163689;
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5. Japanese laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-212273; and
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